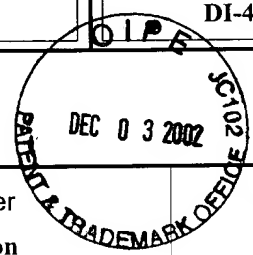


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 8 as follows:

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8. (Amended) The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 2 wherein the synthetic polypeptides are 2 to about 15 amino acids long.

Please add Claims 32 and 33 as follows:

C2

32. (Newly Added) A two part peritoneal dialysis solution designed to be mixed prior to infusion into a patient comprising:

a first part housed in a first structure including dextrose;

a second part housed in a second structure including approximately 0.25 to about 4.0% (w/v) polypeptides; and

including in either the first or the second structure a sufficient amount of the following ingredients so when the first part and second part are mixed, the following is provided: 120 to about 150 (mEq/L) sodium; 80.0 to about 110.0 (mEq/L) chloride; 0.0 to about 5.0 (mEq/L) lactate; 0.0 to about 45.0 (mEq/L) bicarbonate; 0.0 to about 4.0 (mEq/L) calcium; and 0.0 to about 4.0 (mEq/L) magnesium, wherein not more than approximately 0.10% of the polypeptides has a molecular weight of greater than 1200, not more than approximately 25% of the